P-20 Council Meeting Notes

Buck Library, Buena Vista Conference Center New Castle, DE Monday, July 13, 2015

Welcome

State Board of Education President and P-20 Co-Chair Teri Quinn Gray welcomed Council members as she called the meeting to order. .

Members present: Teri Quinn Gray, Donna Johnson, Peggy Bottorff, Jim Wilson, Mark DiMaio, Earl Jacques, Steve Yeatman, Mary Kate Mouser, Rhonda Ringer, Deb Stevens, Kendall Massett, Vicki Gehrt, and Michael Watson.

Others present: Joseph Marinelli, Kathie Cherry, Jenna Bucsak, Luke Rhine, Shana Payne, Dan Rich.

P-20 Council Business – Approval of Meeting Minutes

Donna Johnson, State Board Executive Director, noted a quorum of the Council was present. The minutes from the April meeting were approved.

Ms. Johnson also provided a follow up on the topics that were raised at the last meeting as future discussion items.

Student Success 2025

Dan Rich Professor of Public Policy from the University of Delaware, and member of the Vision Coalition Leadership team presented Student Success 2025 which will be launched by the Vision Coalition in the fall and focuses on preparing Delaware students for a lifetime of success. The Council received an overview of the process and timeline that has six course areas for achievement: personalized learning; postsecondary success; educator support and development; fair and efficient funding; system governance, alignment and performance; and early learning. The official Launch of Student Success 2025 will be September 16, 2015.

College Access Updates

Shana Payne, Director of the Department of Education's Office of Higher Education, presented the Council with an update of the "Getting to Zero" campaign. Districts receive support for college application month and with FAFSA assistance. The Higher Education Office also provides checklists for all students Grade 9 through Grade 12. The Council also received an update on Dual Enrollment, AP access and success, and Smarter Balanced scores ability to be used for college placement.

Pathways to Prosperity – Overview and Next Steps

Luke Rhine, Director of the Department of Education's Career and Technical Education/STEM work group, provided the Council with an update of accomplishments over the past six months and program expansions, including the Pathways to Prosperity Initiatives. He also noted the new state model programs in biomedical science; computer science; culinary and hospitality management; engineering; and manufacturing logistics and production. New programs in development and slated for more information to be distributed this fall include: Finance, Health Sciences, and Information Technology.

The meeting adjourned at 2:39 p.m.

The next meeting of the P-20 Council is scheduled for October 12, 2015.